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General Assembly

Seventy-second session

10:00 Informal consultations (closed) — Economic and Social Council Chamber

On the draft modalities resolution in preparation for the comprehensive review of the progress achieved in the prevention and control of non-communicable diseases as contained in General Assembly resolution (A/RES/68/300).

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 5 March 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

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Ad Hoc Working Group on the Revitalization of the Work of the General Assembly

10:00 to 13:00 [webcast] Trusteeship Council Chamber

Thematic debate on the role and authority of the General Assembly

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Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least 1 hour(s) in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred.

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 19 January 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP)

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

Executive meeting

Special Committee on Peacekeeping Operations

11:00 to 13:00 Working Group of the Whole (closed) Conference Room 1

15:00 to 16:00 Working Group of the Whole (closed) Conference Room 1

Followed by until 18:00 257th plenary meeting Conference Room 1

Consideration of the draft report by the Working Group of the Whole

Adoption of the report to the General Assembly at its seventy-second session

Other matters

(A/AC.121/2018/L.1, A/AC.121/2018/L.2, A/AC.121/2018/L.3, A/72/573 and A/72/573/Add.1)

Members and observers of the Special Committee who wish to be included in the list of participants should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Information on the Special Committee will be available and accessible to Committee members and observers on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly contact the DGACM Help-desk (help-desk@un.org).

Contacts: Ms. Sangeeta Sharma, Committee Secretary (sharma7@un.org); Mr. Henry Breed, Deputy Committee Secretary (breed@un.org); Ms. Lidija Komatina (for inquiries regarding the e-list of participants (komatina@un.org)); Mr. Dino Del Vasto

(del-vasto@un.org); Mr. Tomas Casas (casast@un.org) and DGACM Help-desk (help-desk@un.org). Accessibility (prepwork@un.org). For PaperSmart *click here*.

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Forty-sixth session

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Monday, 12 to Friday, 16 March 2018, from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Security Council

Informal Working Group on Documentation and Other Procedural Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7

Military Staff Committee

11:00 to 13:00	1903rd meeting (closed)	Conference Room 8
	United Nations Operational Readiness Assurance and Performance Improvement Policy	

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1988 (2011), Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism and Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999), 1989 (2011) and 2253 (2015) concerning Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (Da'esh), Al-Qaida and associated individuals, groups, undertakings and entities

15:00 to 16:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7
	Adoption of the agenda	
	Briefing by the United States Presidential Special Envoy Mr. McGurk	
	Other matters	

Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999), 1989 (2011) and 2253 (2015) concerning Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (Da'esh), Al-Qaida and associated individuals, groups, undertakings and entities

16:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 7
	Monitoring Team trip report	
	Review of 1267 Committee pending matters (Holds List)	
	Other matters	

Economic and Social Council
2018 session

Statistical Commission
Forty-ninth session

10:00 to 13:00	7th meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 4
	Programme questions (Statistics Division)	
	Provisional agenda and dates for the fiftieth session of the Commission	
	Report of the Commission on its forty-ninth session	
	Closure of the forty-ninth session of the Commission	
	E/CN.3/2018/1, E/CN.3/2018/L.1, E/CN.3/2018/L.2, E/CN.3/2018/36 and E/CN.3/2018/L.3)	
	To consult the list of side events, please *click here*.	
	Delegations wishing to attend the session and to be included in the list of participants are kindly requested to communicate the composition of their delegations to the secretariat of the Commission.	
	Further information on the session can be obtained from the website of the Commission (*click here*), or by contacting the secretariat (Mr. Irfan Soomro (soomroi@un.org), Mr. Victor Leu (leu@un.org), Ms. Li Wang (wangl@un.org), Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (cianciulli@un.org), or Ms. Maria Isabel Cobos Hernandez (cobos@un.org) and for statements to PaperSmart (papersmart1@un.org).	

Commission on the Status of Women
Sixty-second session

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room B
	On the draft resolution entitled "Release of women and children taken hostage, including those subsequently imprisoned, in armed conflicts", convened by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan	

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
Seventy-second session

Intergovernmental conference and its preparatory process to adopt a global compact for safe, orderly and regular migration

Monday, 12 to Thursday, 15 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber
15:00 to 18:00	Informal consultations (closed)	Trusteeship Council Chamber
	On the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration	

Member states, observers, United Nations entities and stakeholders accredited to the preparatory process are invited to attend.

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 5 March 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

The Co-facilitators to lead the intergovernmental consultations and negotiations on issues related to the Global Compact for Safe, Orderly and Regular Migration will hold an informal dialogue with stakeholders on Thursday, 15 March 2018, from 09:00 to 10:00.

For further information, please *click here*.

Sixth Committee

Friday, 16 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Closed briefing	Conference Room 8

State Responsibility briefing to delegates, convened by the Permanent Mission of Brazil (A/71/80/Add.1)

United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea

Monday, 19 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Informal preparatory meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
15:00 to 18:00	Informal preparatory meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

The draft format and draft annotated provisional agenda of the meeting of the Informal Consultative Process, as well as draft areas of concentration for the discussion panel, which addresses the topic of focus of the meeting, have been recently forwarded via e-mail to all permanent missions, permanent observer missions and parties to the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea as annexes to the letter of invitation by the Co-Chairs.

The advance and unedited reporting material on the topic of focus has also been posted on the website of the Division *(click here)*.

Disarmament Commission

Monday, 2 April 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Opening meeting	Conference Room 3

The Disarmament Commission will hold its 2018 substantive session from Monday, 2 April 2018, to Friday, 20 April 2018. The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 2 April 2018 at 10:00, in Conference Room 3 (A/CN.10/L.80/Rev.1).

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal.

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of participants are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal.

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription.

Further information is available in the Disarmament Commission website (*click here*), for the Accessibility Centre (*click here*).

Further information is available on the Disarmament Commission website (*click here*), or contact Mr. Alexander Lomaia, Secretary of the Commission (lomaia@un.org); Ms. Christa Giles, Deputy Secretary of the Commission (giles@un.org), Ms. Lidija Komatina (komatina@un.org) or Mr. Martin Vrastiak (vrastiak@un.org).

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-eighth session

Monday, 4 June 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

The seventy-eighth session of the Committee on Contributions will be held at Headquarters from Monday, 4 June 2018 to Friday, 29 June 2018.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C, in which the Assembly, *inter alia*, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States *at least two weeks* before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests.

Accordingly, any such requests should be received by the President of the General Assembly *no later than Friday, 18 May 2018*. The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B, as reaffirmed in resolution 70/245.

Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the secretariat of the Committee for further information (405 East 42nd Street, S-2115; tel. 212-963-4975; fax 212-963-1943; or by e-mail to contributions@un.org).

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects

Monday, 19 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 2

The Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference to Review Progress Made in the Implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects will be held from Monday, 19, to Friday, 23 March 2018.

The opening meeting will take place on Monday, 19 March 2018, at 10:00, in Conference Room 2 (A/CONF.192/2018/PC/L.1, A/CONF.192/2018/PC/L.3, A/CONF.192/2018/PC/2 and A/CONF.192/2018/PC/3).

Delegations and observers who wish to be included in the list of participants should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal, which will be available as of Thursday, 1 March 2018.

Further information is available on the website, please *click here*; or contact Ms. Sonia Elliott, Secretary of the PrepCom (elliotts@un.org); Mr. Alexander Lomaia, Deputy Secretary of the PrepCom (lomaia@un.org); Mr. Dino Del Vasto (del-vasto@un.org), Ms. Lidija Komatina (komatina@un.org) and Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (cianciulli@un.org).

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Committee for Development Policy
Twentieth session

Monday, 12 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6

Commission on the Status of Women
Sixty-second session

Monday, 12 March 2018

10:00 to 13:00 General Assembly Hall

Opening meeting

Additional information (E/CN.6/2018/1, E/CN.6/2018/1/Add.1 and E/CN.6/2018/5) on the work of the Commission can be found on its website (*click here*).

Members, as well as observers, are requested to register the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers through the e-List of Participants module on the e-deleGATE portal, by 10:00, on Wednesday, 7 March 2018.

Intergovernmental organizations, entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions may contact the secretariat of the Commission in writing (laabas@un.org).

Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States to the list of speakers for the general discussion of agenda item 3 should be sent through the e-Speakers module of the e-deleGATE portal starting at 10:00, on Thursday, 22 February 2018.

Intergovernmental organizations, entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe with the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Commission in writing (alejandrino@un.org; 917-367-4422).

The Commission will hold 4 ministerial round tables under the priority theme in the afternoon of Monday, 12 March 2018 and 2 high-level interactive dialogues as part of its ministerial segment in the morning and afternoon of Tuesday, 13 March 2018, in parallel to the general discussion.

There will be no established lists of speakers for all of the interactive dialogues, including the ministerial round tables.

Delegations are requested to send their expressions of interest through the e-Speakers module of the e-deleGATE portal starting at 10:00, on Thursday, 22 February 2018, but no later than Wednesday, 7 March 2018.

Delegations are invited to email their statements one hour in advance of delivery for circulation via PaperSmart services.

As requested in relevant resolutions, the reports by the relevant special procedures of the Human Rights Council are brought to the attention of the Commission on the Status of Women at its sixty-second session.

Further information on the session can be obtained from the website of the Commission (*click here*) and OHCHR website (*click here*). For PaperSmart Services papersmart3@un.org.

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 7 March 2018

Economic and Social Council
2018 session

Statistical Commission
Forty-ninth session

[archived video]

4th meeting

Big data for official statistics [item 3 (e)]

The Commission continued its consideration of document E/CN.3/2018/8 and heard statements by the representatives of Qatar and China, as well as by the observers of Italy, the United Arab Emirates and the Dominican Republic.

The representatives of the Secretariat of the Caribbean Community and the Partnership in Statistics for Development in the 21st Century Consortium (PARIS21) also made statements.

The Chief of the Trade Statistics Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

Regional statistical development [item 3 (f)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the representative of the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, who introduced document E/CN.3/2018/9.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba, the United Kingdom, as well as by the observers of Uganda.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the United Nations Environment Programme and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization.

The Chief of the Statistical Services Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

National accounts [item 3 (g)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the representative of the International Monetary Fund (IMF), who introduced document E/CN.3/2018/10.

Statements were made by the representatives of Germany, the United States, the Russian Federation, Mexico, the Republic of Korea, China and South Africa, as well as by the observers of Jamaica (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Senegal (on behalf of the African Group), Cambodia, Bangladesh, the Philippines, Suriname, Morocco, Jordan, Kuwait, Finland, Malaysia, Italy, Sweden, Indonesia and India.

The representative of the Gulf Cooperation Council Statistics Centre (GCC-Stat) also made a statement.

The Chief of the Economic Statistics Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

Environmental-economic accounting [item 3 (h)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the representative of the Netherlands, who introduced document E/CN.3/2018/11.

Statements were made by the representatives of Germany, the Russian Federation, Belarus, South Africa, Mexico and Egypt, as well as by observers of Kyrgyzstan, Malaysia, the Philippines, Suriname, Bangladesh, Italy, Turkey and Sweden.

The representatives of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (also on behalf of the UNEP) and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations also made statements.

The Chief of the Economic Statistics Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

Statistics for economies based on natural resources [item 3 (i)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the observer of Australia, who introduced document E/CN.3/2018/12.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico, Cuba and the Russian Federation, as well as by observers of Guyana (on behalf of the Caribbean States), Gabon (on behalf of the African Group), Oman, Mongolia, Angola and Suriname.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the United Nations Environment Programme and the United Nations Industrial Development Organization.

The Director of the United Nations Statistical Division and the Chief of the Industrial and Energy Statistics Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

Thursday, 8 March 2018

Security Council

[archived video]

8199th meeting

The situation in Afghanistan

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security (S/2018/165)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Afghanistan, Australia, Belgium, Canada, Germany, India, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Italy, Pakistan and Turkey to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited the following individuals to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure: Mr. Tadamichi Yamamoto, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan; Ms. Habiba Sarabi, Deputy Chairperson of Afghanistan's High Peace Council; and Ms. Mariam Safi, Executive Director, Organization for Policy Research and Development Studies (DROPS).

The President invited Her Excellency Joanne Adamson, Chargée d'affaires a.i. of the Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2018/198, submitted by the Netherlands.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2018/198) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2018/198) *received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2405 (2018).*

The Council heard briefings by Mr. Yamamoto, Ms. Sarabi and Ms. Safi.

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Afghanistan.

Statements were made by the President, Her Excellency Sigrid Kaag, speaking in her capacity as Minister for Foreign Trade and Development of the Netherlands, and by Her Excellency Annika Söder, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sweden.

Statements were also made by representatives of the United Kingdom, China, Peru, Ethiopia, Poland, Côte d'Ivoire, the United States, Equatorial Guinea, the Russian Federation, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Kazakhstan, Kuwait and France.

The Council heard a statement by Her Excellency Julie Bishop, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Australia.

The Council heard statements by the representatives Germany, Turkey, Italy, Pakistan, Canada, India and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Council heard a statement by Her Excellency Joanne Adamson (speaking on behalf of the European Union and its member states; the candidate countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania; the country of the Stabilization and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina,

as well as Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova and Georgia, aligned themselves with the statement).

The Council heard a statement by the representative of Belgium.

8200th meeting

Briefing by the Chairperson-in-Office of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited His Excellency Angelino Alfano, Chairperson-in-Office of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of Italy, to participate in the meeting in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by His Excellency Angelino Alfano.

Statements were made by Her Excellency Annika Söder, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sweden, and by the representatives of the Plurinational State of Bolivia, France, Kuwait, Kazakhstan, Equatorial Guinea, Peru, Poland, Côte d'Ivoire, the United States, Ethiopia, the United Kingdom, the Russian Federation and China; and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the Netherlands.

Economic and Social Council

2018 session

Statistical Commission

Forty-ninth session

[archived video]

5th meeting

Agricultural and rural statistics [item 3 (j)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, who introduced document E/CN.3/2018/13.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Japan, Germany, the Netherlands, Denmark, Cuba, Canada, China, Colombia and Egypt, as well as the observers of Mongolia, Italy, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Uganda (on behalf of the African Group), Ecuador, Finland, Brazil, Cambodia, Turkmenistan, Malaysia, Sweden, Nepal, Bangladesh, Guyana (on behalf of the CARICOM Group), Poland, Morocco, the Dominican Republic and Norway.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP) and the World Bank.

The Chief of Environment Statistics Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

Climate change statistics [item 3 (k)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the Chief of the Environment Statistics Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, who introduced document E/CN.3/2018/14.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands, Belarus, Germany, Cuba, Mexico, Japan and China, as well as by the observers of France, Ethiopia (on

behalf of the African Group), Jamaica (on behalf of the CARICOM Group), Jordan, Norway, Italy, Finland, the Philippines, Suriname, the United Republic of Tanzania, Nepal and Poland.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the United Nations Framework Convention for Climate Change (UNFCCC), the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe and the United Nations Environment Programme.

The Chief of the Environment Statistics Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

Statistical classifications [item 3 (l)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the observer for New Zealand, who introduced document E/CN.3/2018/15.

Statements were made by the representatives of Switzerland, the Republic of Korea and China, as well as by the observers of Namibia (on behalf of the African Group), Australia, Bangladesh, Saudi Arabia, Finland, the Philippines, Mali and Azerbaijan.

The Chief of the Industrial and Energy Statistics Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

Refugee statistics [item 3 (m)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the observer for Norway, who introduced document E/CN.3/2018/16.

Statements were made by the representatives of Germany, Cuba, the Russian Federation, Latvia and Colombia as well as by the observers of Chad, France, Bangladesh, Finland, Turkey, Uganda, Azerbaijan, Tunisia, Jordan, Georgia, Austria and Myanmar.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) and the EUROSTAT.

The observer of Armenia made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The Chief of the Demographic Statistics Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

The Chair made a statement.

6th meeting

Disability statistics [item 3 (n)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the Chief of the Demographic Statistics Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, who introduced document E/CN.3/2018/17.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Egypt, Japan, Germany, Canada, Qatar and Cuba, as well as by the observers of New Zealand, Australia, the United Republic of Tanzania, Serbia, Turkey, Finland, Spain, Haiti, Ghana, Suriname (on behalf of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM)), Uganda (on behalf of the African Group), Italy and Turkmenistan.

Statements were also made by the representative of the World Health Organization (WHO) and the observer of the Secretariat of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM).

The Chief of the Demographic Statistics Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

Work and employment statistics [item 3 (o)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the representative of the International Labour Organization (ILO), who introduced document E/CN.3/2018/18.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Republic of Korea, China and Egypt, as well as by the observers of Zambia (on behalf of the African Group), Indonesia, Viet Nam, Rwanda, Algeria, the Gambia, Malaysia, Angola, Albania and Tunisia.

The Chief of the Social Statistics Section, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

Ageing-related statistics and age-disaggregated data [item 3 (p)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, who introduced document E/CN.3/2018/19.

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan, Cuba, South Africa (on behalf of the African Group), China, Egypt and the United States, as well as by the observers of Malaysia, Mauritius, Cameroon, Bangladesh, Finland, Malawi, Hungary, Turkey and Suriname.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the World Health Organization and the United Nations Development Programme, as well by the observer of the Secretariat of Caribbean Community.

The Chief of the Statistical Services Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

Working methods of the Statistical Commission [item 3 (q)]

The Commission began its consideration of the sub-item and heard a statement by the Chair of the Commission, who introduced document E/CN.3/2018/20.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and Japan, as well as by the observers of Sweden, Cameroon (on behalf of the African Group), New Zealand, Finland, Turkey, Oman, Malaysia, Mongolia, Poland, Norway and Suriname.

A representative of the Office of the Director of the United Nations Statistical Division, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, summarized the discussion.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 3.

Items for information [items 4 (a) to (o)]

The Chair made a statement.

Statements were made by the representative of Mexico and Japan, as well as by the observers of Kyrgyzstan, Suriname (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Poland and Viet Nam.

On the proposal of the Chair, the Commission took note of the following information documents E/CN.3/2018/21, E/CN.3/2018/22, E/CN.3/2018/23, E/CN.3/2018/24, E/CN.3/2018/25, E/CN.3/2018/26, E/CN.3/2018/27, E/CN.3/2018/28, E/CN.3/2018/29, E/CN.3/2018/30, E/CN.3/2018/31, E/CN.3/2018/32, E/CN.3/2018/33, E/CN.3/2018/34 and E/CN.3/2018/35.

The Commission thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 4 as a whole.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

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Informal meetings

The agenda of the seventy-second session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/72/251, A/72/251/Add.1, A/72/252 or A/72/252/Add.1. The meetings under this header are closed.

Friday, 9 March 2018

General Assembly

Informal informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "World Bicycle Day" (under agenda item 11) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Turkmenistan)

11:00 to 12:30 Conference Room 9

Other meetings

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Friday, 9 March 2018

African Group (at the ambassadorial level)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Alliance of Small Island States (AOSIS): Working Group Meeting

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room A

Arab Group (First Committee experts)

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Event entitled "Seventy-fifth Anniversary of the Rescue of the Bulgarian Jews" (A/RES/607) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Bulgaria)

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 11

For further information, please contact Mr. Angel Angelov, Permanent Mission of Bulgaria (avangelov@mfa.bg; 212-737-4790).

Group of 77 (on the Commission on the status of women)

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Group of 77 (on Oceans and the Law of the Sea)

15:00 to 16:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Informal technical briefing on the international development cooperation and data chapters of the 2018 report of the Inter-Agency Task Force on Financing for Development (A/RES/69/313 and A/RES/72/208) (organized by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Peter Chowla, Financing for Development Office (chowla@un.org; 212-963-8618); or *click here*.

Press conferences

Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

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Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

Wednesday, 14 March 2018

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

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